

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2000-414

August 15, 2000

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
Request for Approval of Standard Form
Contracts

ORDER

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

By this Order, we approve the standard form contracts that Central Maine Power Company (CMP) requires customers taking transmission and distribution service under certain rate classifications to enter into, as stated in CMP's terms and conditions.

On May 10, 2000, CMP filed standard form contracts for customers taking service under CMP's schedules for Rates SB-LGS-P, SB-LGS-S, SB-LGS-ST, and SB-LGS-T, as well as Rates LGS-P-TOU, LGS-S-TOU, LGS-ST-TOU, and LGS-T-TOU. The terms and conditions, as stated in those rate schedules, require customers to enter into standard form contracts as a condition of service. CMP requested that the Commission issue an order approving its proposed standard form contracts. On May 19, 2000, CMP issued a corrected filing with respect to its proposed standard form contracts for its standby service rates. CMP had not included contracts for Rate SB for distribution level customers and Rate SB for transmission level customers, even though all SB rates required customers to enter into a standard form contract.

The Commission staff raised some issues concerning whether some of CMP's proposed standard form contracts were consistent with the underlying rate schedule's terms and conditions. CMP filed amended proposed standard form contracts on July 13, 2000 that resolve the issues addressed by Staff.

We find that the standard form contracts filed by CMP on May 19, 2000, and as amended by CMP's filing on July 13, 2000, comply with CMP's terms and conditions, as approved by this Commission. Accordingly, we approve the attached standard form contracts for customers taking service under CMP's Rates SB for distribution level customers, SB for transmission level customers, SB-LGS-P, SB-LGS-S, SB-LGS-ST and SB-LGS-T, as well as Rates LGS-P-TOU, LGS-S-TOU, LGS-ST-TOU and LGS-T-TOU.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 15th day of August, 2000.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch
Nugent
Diamond

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2. Appeal of a final decision of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within 30 days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 73, et seq.
3. Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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